REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

In response to the Examiner's further Office Action of March 18, 2009 issued with respect to the present RCE application the Applicant respectfully submits the accompanying Amendment of the claims and the following Remarks.

Regarding Amendment

In the Amendment:

independent claim 1 is amended to clarify that the printer controller supplies the dot data to the printhead modules such that any relative skew between adjacent nozzle rows and between the adjacently disposed printhead modules at the transition between the printhead modules are at least partially compensated for. Support for this amendment can be found at paragraphs [3196]-[3204] and [3288]-[3295] of the present specification; and

dependent claims 2-11 and 16-18 are unchanged.

It is respectfully submitted that the Amendment does not add any new matter to the present application.

Regarding 35 USC 103(a) Rejections

It is respectfully submitted that the subject matter of amended independent claim 1, and claims 2-11 and 16-18 dependent therefrom, is not taught or suggested by Madeley, Tschida, Askren, Dings, Hackleman, Kamoshida, Walmsley, King and Morita either considered alone or in view of one another, because Tschida only discloses compensating for misalignment between the rows of nozzles, and not also within the rows themselves as is required by the claimed invention, and none of the other cited references makes up for these deficiencies in Tschida.

It is respectfully submitted that all of the Examiner's rejections have been traversed. Accordingly, it is submitted that the present application is in condition for allowance and reconsideration of the present application is respectfully requested.

Very respectfully,

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